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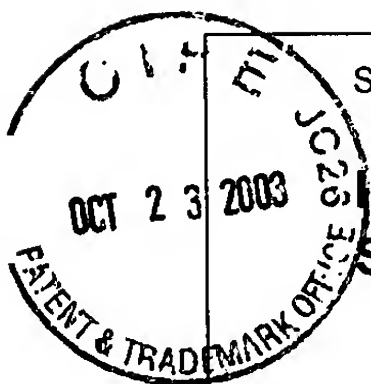
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Respectfully submitted,

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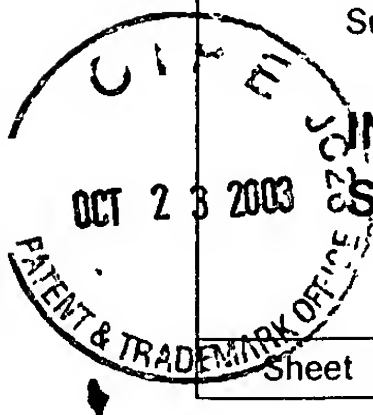
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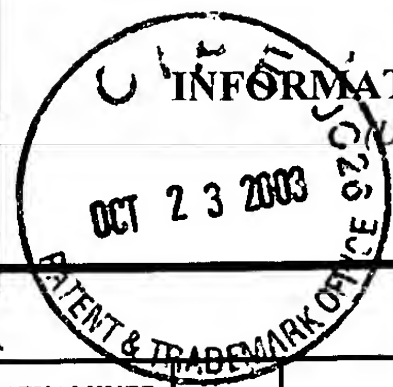
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	AD	Watkins, S., et al., "Unsaturated Fatty Acids," Food & Science Technology, Vol. 117, pp. 559-88 (2002).

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